

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the first paragraph in the “DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE ILLUSTRATIVE EMBODIMENTS” section on **page 4**, with the following amended paragraph:

The actuating device according to the invention shown in Figure 1 comprises a drive unit 1 and a gear unit 2, which are arranged in a housing 3. The housing 3 is essentially embodied in the shape of a pot and is tightly closed on the output side by a cover 4 with the interposition of a seal 51.

Please replace the last full paragraph on **page 5** with the following amended paragraph:

The assembly can then take place in a simple manner in that first the motor 5 is inserted into the housing 3 and is fixed to the housing 3 by the corresponding arrangement and fixing of the motor end shield 9. Then the double toothed gear 17 can be pushed onto the axle 18 already fixed to the motor end shield 9, so that the larger gear 19 meshes with the already preassembled drive gear 7. After the output shaft 22 and the bearing 28 have been fixed to the cover 4, this cover with the internal gear segment 21 preassembled on the output shaft 22 can be placed on the housing 3 in such a way that the axle 18 engages in the pocket hole 30 and simultaneously the internal gear segment 21 also engages automatically with the teeth of the smaller gear 20. This takes place with the interposition of the seal 51, so that the cover 4 can now be screwed to the housing 3.